



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
-----------------	-------------	----------------------	---------------------	------------------

09/640,901

08/16/2000

Subramania Sudharsanan

004-2616

3352

42714

7590

09/20/2006

ZAGORIN O'BRIEN GRAHAM LLP (004)  
7600B NORTH CAPITAL OF TEXAS HIGHWAY  
SUITE 350  
AUSTIN, TX 78731-1191

EXAMINER

MEONSKE, TONIA L

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

2181

DATE MAILED: 09/20/2006

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

APPLICATION NO./ CONTROL NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR / PATENT IN REEXAMINATION	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.
---------------------------------	-------------	---	---------------------

09/640,901 8/16/2000 SUDHARSANNAN, SUBRAMANIA 004-2616

EXAMINER
----------

MEONSKIE, TONIA L.

ART UNIT	PAPER
----------	-------

2181 09072006

DATE MAILED:

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Commissioner for Patents

See attached Detailed Action and Bib Data Sheet.

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### **Acknowledgment of Reply Brief**

1. The reply brief filed July 5, 2006 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

### ***Response to Priority Claim***

2. The USPTO records indicate that this application is a CIP of 09/204,480, now patent 6,718,457, and a CIP of 09/240,977, now patent 6,341,300 (See the attached Bib Data Sheet.).

### ***Conclusion***

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tonia L. Meonske whose telephone number is (571) 272-4170. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday with first Friday's off.

4. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fritz Fleming can be reached on (571) 272-4145. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Art Unit: 2181

5. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

tlm

TONIA L. MEONSKA  
*Tonia Meonske*  
*September 7, 2006*